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C O N F I D E N T I A L QUITO 4890

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, EC, US

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATION VISIT OF F-5E

REF: A. QUITO 4757 (NOTAL)

B. 2ACFTDLVRGRP LANGLEY AFB VA MSG 061845Z SEP 73 (NOTAL)

C. STATE 182855 (NOTAL)

1. REF C SOLICITED EMBASSY'S VIEWS ON DESIRABILITY OF
F-5E DEMONSTRATION VISIT AT THIS TIME.

2. EMBASSY CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT POSSIBLE DISADVANTAGES
OF SUCH A DEMONSTRATION ARE CLEARLY OUTWEIGHED BY ADVANTAGES
OF MAINTAINING GOE INTEREST IN US AIRCRAFT, POSSIBILITY
THAT DEMONSTRATION WILL FURTHER DELAY GOE DECISION ON
AIRCRAFT PURCHASE AND FACT THAT ECUADOREAN AIR FORCE
OFFICIALS HAVE DEMONSTRATED KEEN INTEREST IN DEMONSTRATION
VISIT. WE HAVE BEEN PROCEEDING ON ASSUMPTION THAT, IF
NORTHROP WERE WILLING TO ASSUME COSTS INVOLVED IN
DEMONSTRATION VISIT, COMPANY SHARES EMBASSY'S VIEW.

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WE BELIEVE THAT PROCESS OF REACHING DECISION ON AIRCRAFT

PURCHASE MAY DRAG ON MANY MONTHS. IT IS NOT INCONCEIVABLE THAT DURING THAT TIME THE CURRENT OBSTACLES OF F-5E SALE TO ECUADOR MAY BE ELIMINATED. MEANWHILE, ANY DEMONSTRATION OF US INTEREST IN DISPLAYING AIRCRAFT WHICH WE KNOW GOE PREFERS ABOVE ANY ALTERNATIVE WOULD HAVE GENERALLY BENEFICIAL IMPACT.

3. CONSEQUENTLY EMBASSY RECOMMENDS DEPARTMENT RECONSIDER DISAPPROVAL OF NORTHROP REQUEST TO DEMONSTRATE F-5E IN ECUADOR.

4. ADVISE.
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